

Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 10, 2016
City Council Chambers, One Twin Pines Lane, Belmont, CA

CALL TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Hurt, Stone, Lieberman, Kim, Reed

Councilmembers Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Police Chief DeSmidt

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Public Safety Awards

Police Chief DeSmidt announced the following recipients of the Belmont Police Department's Honorees for the year:

Volunteer: Brandon Vaccaro

Employee: Casey Perrault

Dispatcher: Dino Ferrari

Officer: Sergeant Clyde Hussey

Reserve Officer: Joe Yanacek

Battalion Chief Thrasher announced the following recipients of the Belmont Fire Department's Honorees for the year:

CERT Volunteer: Tannaz Newell

Firefighter/Paramedic: Brent Mullen

Firefighter: Mark Way

Proclamation Honoring Reserve Police Officer Joe Yanacek

Police Chief DeSmidt noted that Reserve Officer Yanacek, who had served 27 years in this capacity, was retiring, but would continue as a volunteer with the Police Department. Mayor Reed presented the proclamation.

RECESS: 7:22 P.M.

RECONVENE: 7:30 P.M.

Proclamation Honoring Novartis

Parks and Recreation Director Gervais noted that Novartis Company completed a second community service day. He described the work they performed at various city facilities.

David Lam, Novartis Company, explained that his company's mission is to give back to the community.

National Public Works Week

Mayor Reed presented the proclamation. Public Works Director Oskoui invited the community to the Public Works Open House at Twin Pines Park on May 18.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Samantha Young and **Taylor Chow**, Belmont residents, spoke regarding the recent closure of Belmont Iceland.

Perry Kennan, Belmont resident, suggested placing the Belmont Iceland matter on a future City Council agenda for discussion.

Mary Morrissey Parden, Belmont Chamber of Commerce, announced an upcoming Wine and Brew event at the Carlmont Shopping Center. She also announced an upcoming event hosted by Congresswoman Jackie Speier.

Wayne Campbell, Belmont resident, spoke regarding the fact that he has received no notification on two developments in his neighborhood.

Trish Yeats, Belmont resident, expressed concerns regarding tree removal at a neighbor's property, as well as pending developments in the neighborhood.

Erica Sloan, Belmont resident, expressed concerns regarding developments on San Juan Boulevard.

Councilmember Kim commented regarding the outreach from the community that has transpired regarding the Belmont Iceland situation.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Hurt commented regarding the upcoming Dine Out fundraiser for the Meals on Wheels Program.

Councilmember Stone commented regarding the Carlmont Shopping Center's upcoming Wine Walk. He noted that two Belmont softball teams won the peninsula division championship.

Councilmember Lieberman congratulated the Belmont Police Department for its quick resolution of an incident regarding a bicyclist who was vandalizing vehicles.

Councilmember Kim announced the upcoming HEART (Housing Endowment and Regional Trust) annual event.

COMMENTS REGARDING CONSENT AGENDA

Josh Powell, Belmont resident, commented regarding the pending Davey Glen Park project tree removal.

Perry Kennan, Belmont resident, spoke regarding the contracting process for the tree removal at Davey Glen Park site, and commented regarding the park project.

In response to Councilmember Hurt's inquiry regarding the government procurement process (Item 7-G), Public Works Director Oskoui explained the government-to-government procurement process and described some of the equipment that the Public Works Department hopes to purchase through this process.

Councilmember Stone commented regarding the Davis Drive Traffic Improvements and the Alexander Park Restroom Project.

In response to Councilmember Lieberman, Parks and Recreation Director Gervais clarified questions regarding the Alexander Park restroom project and the Davey Glen park project. Councilmember Lieberman suggested consideration for including a water fountain and passive solar lighting at Davey Glen.

Councilmember Kim suggested reaching out to the new Ralston School administration regarding the traffic improvements on Davis Drive.

In response to Councilmember Stone, Parks and Recreation Director Gervais commented regarding the tree removal at the Davey Glen Park site and the tree replacement planned for the project.

ITEMS APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

Ordinance 2016-1102 Approving a Development Agreement (Second Reading) with Crystal Springs Uplands School

Ordinance 2016-1103 Rezoning the Property (Second Reading) at 6, 8, and 10 Davis Drive

Resolution 2016-048 Approving a Major Encroachment Permit for Crystal Springs Uplands School

Resolution 2016-049 authorizing a task order with HydroScience Engineers, Inc. to conduct pumps station assessments and inventory in the amount not to exceed \$134,624 and a ten percent contingency

Resolution 2016-050 approving traffic safety improvements on Davis Drive

Resolution 2016-051 approving plans and specifications, authorizing advertisement for sealed bids, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for an amount not to exceed \$500,000, and approving a ten percent construction contingency for the Street Light Pole Replacement Project, City Contract Number 2016-549

Resolution 2016-052 approving the plans and specifications and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Construction Agreement with SF Underground in the amount of \$184,275 and authorizing a 10% construction contingency in the amount of \$18,427 for the Alexander Park Restroom Project, City Contract Number 2015-533

Resolution 2016-053 authorizing the City Manager to execute a Construction Agreement with the lowest responsible bidder in an amount not to exceed \$1,181,000 with a 10% contingency of

\$118,100 for the Davey Glen Park project, City Contract Number 2016-547

Resolution 2016-054 authorizing the City Manager to enter into a cooperative purchasing contract to purchase equipment, products, and services through Houston-Galveston Area Council

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Stone, seconded by Councilmember Hurt, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Conceptual Development Plan (CDP) Amendment for the Autobahn Motors Dealership Reconstruction Project at 700 Island Parkway

Community Development Director deMelo noted that this project to rebuild the Autobahn Motors Dealership was initially approved two years prior. He explained that Autobahn changed the design to improve aesthetics and operational efficiencies, and the revised design adds an additional 2,435 square feet to the prior-approved project. He described the Planning Commission's review and approval. He outlined the Council's required approval to amend the Planned Development. He provided some minor edits to the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Reed opened the Public Hearing.

Mary Morrissey Parden, Belmont Chamber of Commerce, expressed support for the project.

Councilmembers expressed their support for the project and noted that it is improved over the version that was approved in 2014. They also noted that Autobahn has been an asset to the Belmont community.

Councilmember Lieberman read the title of the ordinance.

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Lieberman, seconded by Councilmember Stone, and unanimously approved to waive further reading and introduce an Ordinance approving the Conceptual Development Plan (CDP) Amendment for the Planned Unit Development (PD) District for the Autobahn Motors Dealership Reconstruction Project at 700 Island Parkway

OTHER BUSINESS

Caltrain Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project - Comprehensive Agreement

Councilmember Kim stated that his employer manages Caltrain, and therefore he would need to recuse himself from participating in this matter. He stepped off the dais and out of room.

Casey Fromson, Caltrain, described the increase in ridership on Caltrain in recent years and outlined regional transportation needs for the future. She described the improvements that electrification will provide to Caltrain operations, and she noted the minimal impact within Belmont city limits. She noted that this project would provide key regional benefits through 2040. She explained that Caltrain would begin to award contracts in the summer of 2016.

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Stone, seconded by Councilmember Hurt, Resolution

2016-055 authorizing the City Manager to execute the Comprehensive Agreement with the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board in substantially the form submitted to City Council, as well as any necessary amendments was unanimously approved (4-0, Kim recused).

RECESS: 9:07 P.M.

RECONVENE: 9:10 P.M.

Councilmember Kim returned to the dais.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSIGNMENT UPDATES, AND STAFF ITEMS

Verbal report from Councilmembers on Intergovernmental (IGR) and Subcommittee Assignments

Councilmember Hurt outlined upcoming activities sponsored by Commute.org.

Councilmember Stone reported on topics addressed at a recent Congestion Management Environmental Quality subcommittee of C/CAG. He also reported on the Countywide Transportation Plan Development, as well as a Jobs, Housing and Balance Task Force meeting.

Councilmember Lieberman noted that he met with staff regarding the proposed Silicon Valley Clean Water budget.

Councilmember Kim described a recent HEART (Housing Endowment and Regional Trust) board meeting and open house for its new offices. He also attended a workshop at the San Francisco Airport.

Mayor Reed provided an update on the Caltrain Local Policy Makers Group.

Verbal report from City Manager

City Manager noted the recent modifications to the single-family design review process, and pointed out that a review of parking regulations is the next area for review by the Planning Commission. He announced the Public Works Open House. He described the upcoming community survey. He commented regarding the public safety awards earlier in the evening.

MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST

Councilmember Lieberman recommended scheduling a study session regarding Belmont Iceland or recreational skating on the peninsula.

Discussion ensued regarding the fact that the property is currently under contract.

Council concurred to form a subcommittee to address the public's concerns regarding Belmont Iceland.

Mayor Reed appointed Councilmembers Lieberman and Kim to a subcommittee to interact with

staff and the skating committee on this matter.

ADJOURNMENT at this time, being 9:45 p.m.

Terri Cook
City Clerk

Meeting televised and webstreamed.